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SUBJECT: MOROCCAN PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO
MAURITANIA JANUARY 21-23

1. SEMI-OFFICIAL PRESS JANUARY 20 ANNOUNCED INTENTION OF MOROCCAN PRIME MINISTER AHMED OSMAN TO PAY "OFFICIAL VISIT" TO NOUAKCHOTT FROM JANUARY 21 TO JANUARY 23. OSMAN WILL BE ACCCOMPANIED BY THIRTEEN-MAN DELEGATION HEAVILY WEIGHTED ON ECONOMIC SIDE, INCLUDING ABDELATIF GHISSASSI, MINISTER OF COMMERCE, INDUSTRY, MINES AND MERCHANT MARINE; MOHAMED BELKHAYAT, SECRETARY OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS; TAIB BENCHEIKH, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR PLANNING AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT; DAHMAN LAYACHI, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF NATIONAL OFFICE OF FISHERIES; ZINE ABIDINE ALAOUI, DIRECTOR FOR ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL AFFAIRS AT MFA; RAFIQ HADDAOUI, A DIRECTOR IN THE PHOSPHATES OFFICE (OCP) AND, MOHAMED TAZI, DIRECTOR OF THE TREASURY AT MINISTRY OF FINANCE.

2. PRESS STATES THAT VISIT BEING UNDERTAKEN AT INVITATION OF MAURITANIAN PRESIDENT MOUKHTAR OULD DADDAH AND WILL DEAL WITH WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES DESIGNED TO BENEFIT BOTH COUNTRIES.

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3. COMMENT: OSMAN VISIT WAS REPORTEDLY ORIGINALLY PLANNED FOR DECEMBER BUT POSTPONED. ACCORDING TO SPECULATION IN RABAT DIPLOMATIC CORPS, THE MAURITANIANS ARE BECOMING INCREASINGLY CONCERNED OVER "EXCESSIVE" MOROCCAN INFLUENCE. GOM, HOWEVER, HAS APPEARED RELAXED OVER RELATIONSHIP, AS REFLECTED IN OSMAN'S REPORTED POSTPONEMENT. COMPOSITION OF DELEGATION SEEMS TO SIGNAL DESIRE TO STRENGTHEN

BILATERAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION, THEREBY DEMONSTRATING GOM'S
GOOD FAITH.
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